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DOUG FLUTIE

Doug Flutie is now a profesional hero in the USFL. He now plays for the New Jersey Generals. He has a contract with them for a 5 to 7 year time period.

Doug Flutie is getting 7 million dollars for playing football. A lot of players on the team disagree with the amount of money that Doug Flutie is getting. They are saying that it is unfair.

So far the season with the Generals has been going well. Doug has not made any spectacular plays yet, but hopefully he will in the future.

Doug comes from Chestnut Hill, Pennsylvania. He is only 5/9 3/4' tall. If you don't give him the 3/4 inches he complains.

Doug Flutie's college career was with the Boston College Eagles. His most famous game ever was when he played against Miami. It was a rainy day when Doug played. The game was played in Miami. He was pretty worried in the last six seconds. Doug threw the bomb and it was caught in the endzone. He knows he will he will always remember the game against Miami. The final score of this game was, 47 to 45. He played many other games like the game against Miami.

After Doug Fluties great career with Boston College, he communicated with many different teams in the NFL. After considering many different teams, none of the teams seemed to please Doug.

Then the big deal turned up with the New Jersey Generals. He decided to take the contract with the Generals. Wile all this was taking place, Doug was getting a lot of pliblisity.

Doug Flutie has finally gotten his wish. He has a chance to make it big in the USFL. Doug is a young, experienceed player. With peoples help, Doug Fluties fabulous career will go on.

by

Jeff Pickel

BASEBALL

The actual origin of baseball started in Great Britain. The earliest forms of baseball represent cricket and rounders which was played in England. All these kinds of earlier forms of games require a great deal of skill.

The game of baseball is played with a hard ball and a bat. This game is widely regarded as the American National Sport. It is one of the oldest game, baseball is the most popular professional game in the United States. Baseball attracts millions of people a year with radio, T.V., and going in person. Baseball is most played by amateurs of all ages. This game has gained popularity in Canada, Mexico, and other countries of the western hemisphere. The excitement from players and the fans point of view is expressed in the poem "Casey at Bat". In 1845 the Knicker Bocker Baseball Club was organized in New York City. This team was sponsored by this organization and established the beginning of modern baseball. In 1907, an investigating commission headed by A.G. Mills a former National League President report some rules and the making of the first baseball diamond had been devised at Cooperstown, New York in 1839.

Professional baseball was introduced in 1869 by the Cincinnati Red Stockings, during 1869 and 1870 other professional clubs were organized in different parts of the country.

In 1871 the National Association of Professional Baseball Players was organized. In 1903 major and minor leagues were established.

During a baseball season every team plays 162 games, they play 81 games at home and 81 games away. The basic equipment for baseball is a baseball, bat, helmet, and a glove which is worn during defensive play. A team can only have nine players on the field. The nine positions are the pitcher, catcher, first baseman, second baseman, third baseman, leftfield man, centerfield man, and rightfield man.

Baseball is divided into nine innings they are even divided more into the top half or the bottom half of an inning. The way a team scores a run is when a batter completes a circuit of the bases. There are many different ways to put a batter out.

- 1.If the ball is caught by the opposite team before it touches the ground.
- 2.If the ball is hit to a opposite team and throws it to the base before the runner gets there.
- 3.If three strikes are called and if the catcher does not drop the third strike he is out.

The basic strategy is to get more runs than the other team which is not as easy as it sounds. The teams use hand signal or body motion as an extra advantage to that team without the other picking up their signals. The most exciting baseball game is the All Star Game. This game is played by individual players who have been picked by coaches, fellow players, and managers in the league. The first All Star Game was played back in 1933. The way the players are picked is by the performance over the season. Throughout the seasons records are kept of how many hits, stolen bases, homeruns, etc. The one player who has the highest average is awarded the Most Valuable Player Award. There is another award awarded to the best pitcher called the Cy Young award.

I have been playing baseball ever since I was 5 and I enjoy playing it. The game of baseball is a very exciting sport.

by
Sean Manwaring

The game of football is one of the most popular sports in the world. It is a game of strategy, skill, and teamwork. The game is played on a rectangular field, 100 yards long and 53 1/3 yards wide. The field is divided into three equal parts, each 33 1/3 yards long. The goalposts are located at each end of the field. The game is played between two teams, each consisting of 11 players. The players are divided into three main groups: the offense, the defense, and the special teams. The offense is responsible for moving the ball down the field towards the opponent's goal. The defense is responsible for stopping the offense. The special teams are responsible for kicking the ball. The game is played in four quarters, each lasting 15 minutes. The team that scores the most points at the end of the game wins. The game is a very exciting sport, and it is one of the most popular in the world. It is a game of strategy, skill, and teamwork. The game is played on a rectangular field, 100 yards long and 53 1/3 yards wide. The field is divided into three equal parts, each 33 1/3 yards long. The goalposts are located at each end of the field. The game is played between two teams, each consisting of 11 players. The players are divided into three main groups: the offense, the defense, and the special teams. The offense is responsible for moving the ball down the field towards the opponent's goal. The defense is responsible for stopping the offense. The special teams are responsible for kicking the ball. The game is played in four quarters, each lasting 15 minutes. The team that scores the most points at the end of the game wins. The game is a very exciting sport, and it is one of the most popular in the world. It is a game of strategy, skill, and teamwork.

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FOOTBALL

The King of Autumn sports in the United States is football. It begins at the close of the baseball season until the beginning of the basketball season. No game demands more teamwork, strength, courage, and alertness or provides a more thrilling spectacle. Few games have as lively a history. Football is the chief sport in most Colleges and Universities and in thousands of secondary schools. Football is played on a rectangular field, 300 feet long and 160 feet wide. White lines cross the field at 5-yard intervals, giving it the appearance of a gridiron. At each end of the field is a goal with two upright posts and a crossbar. The uprights are more than 20 feet high and are 23 feet, 4 inches apart. The crossbar is 10 feet above the ground. In amateur football the goal is 10 yards behind the goal line. In the professional game it is on the line. The ball has a rubber inside a leather, rubber or plastic cover. The bladder is inflated to a pressure of about 13 pounds to the square inch. The ball weighs from 14 to 15 ounces.

The game of football is played between two teams, with 11 men on each side. The team positions are; line-left and, left tackle, left guard, center, right guard right tackle and right end; backfield quarterback, left halfback, right halfback and fullback. Any player may be replaced by a substitute at anytime. Before the game starts, the referee tosses a coin in the presence of the opposing captains. The winner of the toss has the choice of kicking off or receiving or the choice of goals. If for example, the winner chooses to kick the loser then can select his goal. The defensive team kicks off from its own 40-yard line. The player who receives the ball from the kickoff immediately runs it forward. His teammates form interference to prevent the opponents from tackling him. When the ball carrier has been tackled or downed the teams take positions facing each other across the line of scrimmage an imaginary line that runs the width of the field and passes through the ball. The team with the ball must have at least seven men on the line of scrimmage. Only one member of the attacking team may be in motion before the ball is passed back from the center. He may run laterally toward either side line. The defense players may take any position across the line of scrimmage. One man usually the quarterback decides in advance the exact play to use. In a secret huddle with his teammates he calls the play and the ball back between his legs. The passing of the ball from center puts it in play. The attacking team must hold its huddle and put the ball in play within 25 seconds or be penalized. The attacking offensive team must advance the ball at least 10 yards in no more than four tries called downs. If it makes the necessary yardage, it receives a new series of four downs.

Well this is what football is all about. If you want to know more about football or how it came about or anything else look in Encyclopedia or find books on it. I think the game of football is great because of the hitting in it. I like playing it because I love hitting kids. You don't have to be big to play football all you have to be is tough. I enjoy playing the game of football very much, and I have also learned something about my own athletic abilities.

by
Gill Mederios

Ice Hockey

This exciting winter sport resembles Field Hockey. Except it is played on ice and the players wear skates. The rules also differ slightly and each team has only six players. Ice Hockey is almost always played by men. It can be played outdoors and also on indoor rinks.

The sport is chiefly popular in Canada, but is also played in the northern and central parts of the United States. It began in Canada and the first games were played in McGill University in about 1875. It remained an amateur game until 1908, when professional teams were organized. The present National Hockey League was founded in 1917. It became international after 1925 when eastern American cities were added to the circuit. Ice hockey had been tried out in the United States as early as 1897. But it did not become popular until professional teams began to play. Then the speed and action during the game attracted huge crowds. Almost all the United States colleges look on ice hockey as a major sport.

How the Game is Played.

Ice Hockey is played on a rink about 85 ft. wide by 200 ft. long. This rink is divided into three equal zones and is surrounded by the boards. A goal net is 4 ft. high and 6 ft. wide stands at each end.

Each player carries a stick about 46 in. long and curved at the end. The players use these sticks to drive a hard rubber disk, called the puck, across the ice. The puck is about 3 inches across and 1 in. thick. Each team tries to drive the puck across the goal line into the net of the opposite team.

A team consists of two wing men, one center man, two defencemen and one goal tender. The game starts when the referee drops the puck between two opposing centers. This play is called the face-off. The teams play for 3 periods of 20 minutes each. A score counts as one. A team member may be suspended from the game for 1 or more minutes for rough playing, and the rest of the his team goes on playing without him.

TO ME THIS IS THE FASTEST GAME ON EARTH!

by

Kenny Waters

PROFE	by	LADIES
1928 Norway	Leah (U.S.A.)	Arthur (U.S.A.)
1928 Norway	Leah (U.S.A.)	Enrico-Mook (U.S.A.)
1928 Norway	Leah (U.S.A.)	Enrico (Italy)
1928 Norway	Leah (U.S.A.)	Enrico (U.S.A.)
1928 Norway	Leah (U.S.A.)	no jump
1928 Norway	Leah (U.S.A.)	Stalin (Poland)
1928 Norway	Leah (U.S.A.)	Stalin (U.S.A.)
1928 Norway	Leah (U.S.A.)	Loch (U.S.A.)
1928 Norway	Leah (U.S.A.)	Stanton (U.S.A.)

THE OLYMPIC GAMES (SUMMER)

Without question the Olympic Games stand as the oldest and most truly international of all sports competitions. The games are now played every four years. The majority of the countries of the world send their outstanding athletes in various sports to these Olympics. The competition draws visitors from all over the world.

In Greek the word "Olympiad" concern with a measurement of time or a period of time that lasts every four years. They also have the Olympics because it took place on the Mount Olympics. They also had it there because it could hold a large amount of people and it was thought that the mountain was blessed by the gods. Many people believed that the earliest ceremonies began about 720 B.C.

In the earliest of the ancient game, contestant wore loin cloth. There's no data as to what the first Olympics made up beside foot racing. Next came the discus throwing, wrestling, jumping and pigilism.

In 652 B.C. for the 25th Olympiad, they added the Pancratium which is a combination of wrestling, pugilism and featured a spear as a weapon for a attack. Then chariot races were held with small horses and a vehicle with two wheels called chariot was on the horse. A trumpet sounded the start of each event, when the contest was over the trumpet sounded again. This called a silence so the judge could announce the winners. The winner got a leave dipped in gold. The person who came in second got a leave dipped in silver. Many of these customs are still used today.

The first United States team was not publicized very much. In 1896 a small group of American athletes went to participate.

In 1932 nearly 2,500 athletes representing more than 40 nations gathered together. There was the first time the Olympics were held in the United States.

In 1956 the summer Olympics took place in the southern hemisphere for the first time in Melbourne, Australia with crowds of about 100,000 people per day.

Since 1956 the summer games have been held in different location. The last place the Olympics were held was in Los Angeles in 1984. Here is just a few of the winners of the different events in the track and field area.

EVENTS	(Won by)MEN	LADIES
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100 meters	Lewis(U.S.A)	Ashard(U.S.A)
200 meters	Lewis(U.S.A)	Brisco-Hooks(U.S.A)
1500 meters	Coe (Gr.Britain)	Dorio (Italy)
Marathon run	Lopes (Portugal)	Benoit(U.S.A)
High Jump	Mogenburg (W.Germany)	no jump
Pole vault	Quinon (France)	Stancio (Romania)
Discus	Dannendurg (W.Germany)	Stalmon (Nethieland)
Shotput	Andrei (Italy)	Losch (W.Germany)
Javelan	Harkonen (Finland)	Sanderson (GR.Britain)

Those are just a few of the many events in the olympics. The 100 meter run, (100 yds), 200 meter run (200 yds), and the 400 meter run (400 yds) are the shortest of all the running events. The 800 meter (880 yds) run is equal to a race of 3/4 of a mile. The 1500 meter run equals out to a mile. That is not as fast as the other races I said because they cannot sprint the whole way. The 5000 meter (3.5 miles) is a run, you have to pace yourself. The marathon run is a 26 mile run. One of the most famous marathon is in Boston.

Hurdling is running race were a runner has to jump over a series of artifical barries, called herdles. There are different distances like the 110 meters and the 400 meters.

The high jump is a vertical jump over a bar placed at a certain hight. The pole vault is similar, but the jumper uses a pole (usually 12 to 16 feet long) to jump over a bar.

The shotput is a round ball that weighs about 16 pounds and they try to throw it as far as they can. The discus is a small wooden disk with a metal rim around it. The players also try to thwow it also.

The decathlon consists of 10 events 100 and 400 meter dash, 1500 meter run, 110 meter hurdles, long jump, high jump, pole vault, shot putt, discus throw and the javelen throw. The winners are the people with the highest amount of points in each events.

My opinion of the Olympics is I love watching the different countries trying to go for the gold. I think everybody loves to watch their own country trying to be the best they can.

by
Todd Rafferty

THE BOSTON RED SOX 1985 SEASON

The Boston Red Sox opened thier 1985 season with thier best start ever before. They opened the season with a sweep over The New York Yankees, they won three, then they won one over the Chicago White Sox, but then it was old times. They lost to the White Sox twice. Then the trouble continued when they lost twice to the Kansas City Royals. That left the at 4-4. They finally won against the Royals. After that the Sox traveled to the big Apple, New York, where they faced their archrivals, the New York Yankees. The Sox won two out of three against the Yanks. The Sox went two and four after that series with the Yanks. They went one and two to both the White Sox and the Royals. The Red Sox are of June 6th, 25 AND 25. The Red Sox have been rained out only twice this year after leading the Major League last year with 23.

The Red Sox has a young but talented pitching staff. With Dennis "Oil Can" Boyd and Roger Clemens. The other pitching will be done by Bruce Hurst, Al Nipper, and Bruce Kison. The relief picthing will be done by the ace, Bob Stanley, newly accainted with reliveing Bob Diedo, Steve Crawford who is coming off a arm problem, Mike Truillo who came over from the San Fransico Giants from the National League, Mike Brown who is a yo-yo will come up from the triple league ranks if the Red Sox call upon him. The Red Sox also had Charlie Mitchel and Jim Dorsey down in the Minor Leagues.

The Red Sox infield will go like this; Bill Buckner at first, Marty Berrett will surround the second base area, Jackie Gurtterez at Shortstop, Wade Boggs will keep third base occupied all season. The Backups will be Glenn Hoffman and Dave Stapleton. Both Hoffman and Stapleton were once starters but they both lost the starting job by course of injuries. Also backing up will be Steve Lyons who is a rookie. Steve is Boston's own Charlie Hustle.

The catching will be done by Rich Gedmen although Marc Sullivan and Dave Sax will also be used frequently.

The outfield will be the best almost. With Jim Rice, Tony Armas, Dwight Evens, Rick Miller, and Reid Nichols all being used they will all contribute. Jim Rice and Tony Armas in the last two years have led the league in homeruns and runs batted in (R.B.I.). Also Dwight Evens has been a Gold Glove in Righ Field. A Gold Glove ia a reward for being reconized as a gifted fielder. Dwight Evens is Boston's gifted Right Fielder. Rick Miller and Reid Nichols on the other hand will not play on the field much although they will pinch hit and pinch hit well. The Boston outfielders are both homebread and foreigners. Rice, Evans, Nichols have been in the organization all their carrers. Tony Armas is an Oakland, California native. On the other hand Rick Miller is a Red Sox starter but later he went to the California Angles but after a short three years he came back to Boston. Also on the team is Mike easler who is the designated hitter on the team. Both Mike Easler and Bill Bucker were National League players two years ago.

The Red Sox are in the most exiting division. With the World Chapions Detriot Tigers, New York Yankees, Toronto Blue Jays, Baltimore Oriools, Milwalkee Brewers, and the Celveland Indians. The Red Sox are up to the naek with good terms.

Surfing

My report is on surfing. Surfing started in the 1800's. Polynesians were the first to surf and to introduced surfing to the Hawaiian Island. The greatest surfers were chiefs and kings. Their surfboards were called "olo", and they were fourteen to eighteen feet long, and weighed approximately one hundred fifty pounds. Surfboards then were made out of wili-wili wood, a lightweight, a Hawaiian type of balsa which is difficult to obtain. When surfing all started, they had contests for which they won pigs and animals, but also they might have won humans. Some people even lost their wives and property.

Surfing today has changed a great deal from when it first started in the 1800's. First of all surfing is a sport that you ride a wave. It's not only a sport, it's an art balancing a board. The boards have changed a great deal. Surfboards today are made out of polyurethane foam covered with fiber glass and a resin. A surfboard has fins which are for turning better and doing tricks. The fins on a surfboard usually have one, two, three, or four fins. The surfing contests have changed too. Today you win money or a medal for your excellence.

Surfing is a dangerous sport if you don't know what is going on. There are many dangerous areas that have good surf but they have signs that you should not be there. People who surf don't pay attention to these signs. People get hurt surfing because of things such as rocks. The waves also make this sport dangerous because the waves range from about six to twenty-five feet high. This is why surfing is a dangerous sport.

There are many good place to go surfing. There included on the east coast of the U.S.A., such as Daytona Beach, Florida; Virginia Beach, Virginia; Gilgo Beach on Long Island in New York. Other surfing spots are located between and around these areas. Some of the best surfing is found in Hawaii, Mexico, Australia, New Zealand, France, Peru's Constant, and also South Africa.

There are many different types of surfing. Instead of standing on a long or short board, one can also lay down on his stomach. This is called "Bellyboarding". The board you use for this type of surfing come in many different sizes, designs, and colors. In Hawaii these boards are known as paipo boards. People use many different things to surf on, including such as mats and one's own body. This is called mat surfing and body surfing.

There are many different kinds of surfboards today. Nector is one type of a surfboard. Another kind of surfboard is called Sunset because this board is a colorful kind of board and it is a good type of board. Also there is the Gordon Smith board or G&S. There are so many more that are too numerous to mention. These surfboards sell from two-hundred and fifty dollars to four-hundred fifty dollars.

Surfing is a fun sport to do because it is a challenge. It can be an all season sport in New England and is practiced in the winter, spring, summer, and also the fall. In the winter, fall, and spring one has to wear a wetsuit or a drysuit. This sport is fun because one can ride a big wave and go fast. Surfing is also fun because you're at the beach all the time and in the sun getting a tan. If you like the water this is a fun thing to do. There are many different things that you can do when you are surfing such as turning fast, do tricks, and all different kinds of things. That is my opinion on the sport of surfing.

by
Jeff Lynch

TENNIS

The begining in the history. The French originated tennis during the 1100's or 1200's. The French called tennis Jeu De Paume. The tennis players batted the ball back and fourth over a net with the palm of their hand.

Major Walter C. Wingfield of Great Britain is generally credited with being the cheif inventer of lawn tennis. He introduced a closly resembling modern tennisin 1873. The game was first playued in the United States a year later. The first tennis tournament was played at Wimbedonin 1877. In 1926 suzane Lenglen and several other players became the first professionals by agreeing to play for money.

There are alot of tennis tournaments in the nation now. The Grand Slam events are the US Open and Wimbledon. Wimbledon is held every year in England usually in the Spring or Summer. The US Open is held every year in new york it is held in the Fall. The French Open is held every year in France

When you are a ameture you can't recieve money for tennis or buisness related to tennis. When you recieve money it means you are a pro.

The main strokes of tennis. The two main of strokes for bouncing balls are the forehand and backhand drives. The forehand drive is used to return balls that approach a players racket hand side. Other important strokes include the volly, overhead smash, lob, slice, and chop. The volly is used when a player rushes towardthe net and hits the ball berfore it touches the ground. If the ball comes high over the net, the player might a over head smash, hitting down on the ball The lob is a defensive stroke in which a player hits the ball high over his opponets headto drive him back in the court. The slice is any stroke in which the raquet cuts across the ball, making it spin and bounce crookedly. The chop gives the ball a backward spun so that it has alow bounce and is difficult to return.

Tennis takes alot of concentration and alot of hard work. If you really want to get in the sport it is really good exercicise and it takes alot of patince

I Think tennis is a good sport. I love the game. My whole family loves the sport. I am on the tennis team. Tennis is my favorite sport. I started tennis when I was about 8 years old.

by
Chuck Smith

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Drugs

There are over a thousand different types of drugs. Some drugs, but not all drugs are bad for you. There are other drugs that are necessary and provide relief from pain or other physical problems. There are many drugs that are illegal and many that are legal. Legal drugs can often be purchased over-the-counter, but others require a doctor's prescription.

There are basically four classifications of psychoactive drugs. Sedatives are one of the most widely used drugs. Sedatives are central nervous system depressants and are used to reduce anxiety and tension, release inhibition, and cause relaxation and sleep. Some examples are alcohol, barbiturates, and mild tranquilizers. Those are the ones most widely used. Narcotics are the second classification of drugs. They alleviate physical pain, induce relaxation, and pleasant reveries. Some examples of psychoactive narcotics are opium and its derivatives, codeine, heroin, morphine, and methadone. The third classifications are Stimulants. They are psychoactive drugs that increase arousal. Some examples of psychoactive stimulants are amphetamines, cocaine, nicotine, and caffeine. The fourth classifications of psychoactive drugs are Hallucinogens. "Hallucinogens expand the mind" and produce changes in thought and mood. Some examples are: LSD, Mescaline, Psilocybin, Phencyclidine (PCP), and marijuana.

Withdrawal is a bad experience to go through. It is the process when they try to drain your system of the drugs. During withdrawal you may experience being very nervous and depressed. The worst period of time is when you get the shakes. It is something most people go through when they have decided to stop the habit.

I think drugs are a bad thing to get into. It doesn't help you, in fact it destroys your body and your personality. I think the laws on drugs should be a lot stricter than they are. When you take drugs it messes up your cells, and your mind. It harms your personality because you forget things. Your appearance goes down, and you just don't care what happens to you.

by
Michelle Lavoie

How to Get a Drivers License in Rhode Island

Getting a drivers license is more work than many people think. Many think that when you turn 16 you get your licence. That's not at all how it happens. It takes alot of time and money.

First you must sign up for a driver's education course at school or some place that gives private classes. If you are under the age of 18 you must take one of these courses. If you get in, you will take that course for 30 hours. They usually run two or three times a week, two hours a class. There are classes in the afternoon or at night depending on the class. After completion of this course you go to the registry to take a test for for your permit any time after you turn sixteen years old. You must pass this test with at least a 70. If you don't pass, you you have to wait five days and pay another five dollars. If you pass the test, it allows you to drive with a parent or anyone who is 18 years or older. When recieving your permit you have a few options. You can take a drivers training course. This is helpful because it takes 20% off your insurance.

Finally, you go take your road test, which you also must recieve a 70. After all that, you can get your license.

by
Kevin Wright

Living At Sea

I moved aboard a 32 foot Erickson sail boat at the age of nine and my sister moved aboard the boat when she was three weeks old. We lived aboard our boat for a total of five fun fulfilled years that are always in my memories. The first year, our boat was docked at Dickerson's Marina in Apponaug. I went to school every day like any other child my age. Everyone that I went to school with thought it was strange that I was living on a boat while they lived in houses! We had a colour T.V. on board and a built in fireplace for the cold New England winters. We put a microwave oven on board along with a refrigerator. My family and I had all the accommodations we ever could need in a house, except a shower. Our boat stayed for about three years at Dickerson's Marina. After living in Rhode Island for a couple of years my parents wanted to do some traveling on the boat with the whole family.

Soon we started sail south. Our destination was Florida bound. We sailed through the New England waterway and then when offshore near the end of the trip. We finally arrived at Florida after about three months of traveling at a very slow pace. We decided to go slow and take our time. "When we get there, we get there," was our train of thought. During this time living aboard our boat I started to love sailing and the ocean. We ended up in Daytona Beach, Florida where we lived on board our boat for about six months. I was enrolled back into school in Daytona. During our traveling to Florida, I did not do any type of schooling. During my stay in Florida, I found the people to be much nicer and more outgoing than the people in Rhode Island. It seems people are much warmer towards you in the south than in the north. We docked our boat at a marina called, Blind Past Mariana. When living aboard our boat in Florida, in general more people were living aboard their boats. When lived in Florida my family became very close with a lot of people who also lived aboard. Our family decided it was time to finish our trip, so we sailed to the Florida Keys and spent a week or two there. After leaving the Florida Keys we sailed to St. Croix and visited several other islands.

Our family finally started a long sail back to Rhode Island. The sail home was fast because everyone wanted to get home again. When we arrived back, everyone welcomed us. I was so glad to be home. On the way home, we went off shore. We had a lot of rough weather and about twelve foot swells. I was never so glad to get off the boat and stand on something solid. Our Florida trip and total five years living aboard were great, but there had been those moments, just like everything in life.

by
Mia Desrosiers

SMOKING

Why do people start smoking? Most smokers say because they want to know how a cigarette taste, others say they are curious about how it feels to breathe in the smoke. Many young people feel that smoking makes them look grow-up kool. Most young smokers smoke because they want to be one of the gang and they want to look tough.

Why do people go on smoking? Some people go on smoking because they can't stop smoking. Others say because smoking relaxes them when they're nervous or in a bad mood. Then there are younger smokers who feel that smoking is making them look grow-up and they will keep on smoking. Most younger smokers feel too that it relieves tension especially when they're in trouble at school or at home or just fail a test.

What does smoking do to you? There are records that tell us that more people die of lung cancer caused by smoking than are killed in car crashes. People hear about this and still keep on smoking. That isn't the only thing smoking can do to you. There is another disease called emphysema that is common among middle age. Doctors call it an epidemic. When you puff on a cigarette, you suck air which contains smoke from burning tobacco and paper. When you breathe again, every puff of a cigarette deposits a thin film of tarlike substance that is proven to cause cancer.

What are the chances of disability disease, or death? Doctors say every person who smokes on a regular basis suffers from bad effects on his or her health. They say at first you just get a cough and your colds last longer. Then, as time goes on, you're a factor to the big three: emphysema, lung cancer and coronary heart disease.

Whom does smoking hurt the most? Smoking is a much greater risk for teen-agers or young adults than for people who started later in life. The reason for this is that young people tend to inhale more, and smoke cigarettes to a shorter butt, and smoke more per a day. All these habits tend to increase the health hazards of smoking.

Why do smokers quit? Most people stop for reasons to please a boy friend or girl friend. Others stop because they don't like how they look or smell or because they want to be a better influence on a child and spare the suffering that can be caused by smoking.

How can you help someone stop smoking? They say if you compare yourself to a smoker they will see for themselves that you are happier with out smokers cough, and you have more money to spend. Other people should just take the cigarette out of the smokers mouth and take the pack away and throw it in the garbage.

I Think smoking is stupid. People know smoking is bad for your health so why do people keep on smoking? I think they should ban smoking and tobacco and all the cigarette and tobacco companies.

by
Richard Medeiros

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CHEWING TOBACCO

I am going to present five important facts about the use of smokeless tobacco for the consideration of the dentist physicians and other health professionals. All health practitioners are urged to advise parents about the hazards of these habits and to take a strong public stance in opposition to the current advertising patents about the hazards of these habits and to take a strong public stance in opposition to the current advertising campaigns appealing to young people. The professions should demand that smokeless tobacco products carry health warning labels similar to those printed on cigarettes.

FACT 1

Currently smokeless tobacco is heavily marketed throughout the country by the mass media. These efforts are directed strongly toward youth.

FACT 2

Through careful manipulation of the public the habits of tobacco chewing and dipping are gaining widespread social acceptance.

FACT 3

Use of smokeless tobacco is rapidly increasing especially among male high school and college students and athletes.

FACT 4

Advertising implies that the smokeless tobacco products are safe. They are not.

FACT 5

The dental and oral effects of smokeless tobacco are significant for both soft and hard tissues especially for the heavy long-term user.

by
Eric Spencer

JOHN F. KENNEDY

The person that I'm going to write about is John F. Kennedy. I'm doing John F. Kennedy because I think he was the most important president of the United States.

John F. Kennedy was born in 1917 and died in 1963. He was the thirty-fifth president of the United States, occupies a unique place in U.S. history. In 1960, at the age of 43, he became the youngest man ever elected to the presidency of the United States. He was the first U.S. president born in the 1900's and the first Roman Catholic elected to that office. He was assassinated after serving only two years and ten months in office. People around the world joined in mourning his death.

John F. Kennedy was born on May 29, 1917, in Brookline, Massachusetts. He was the second of nine children born to Joseph Patrick Kennedy and Rose Fitzgerald Kennedy. Politics was part of John F. Kennedy's heritage. One of his grandfather's, Patrick J. Kennedy, had served in both houses of the Massachusetts State Legislative.

As a boy, John Kennedy attended private schools in the New England area. In 1935 he graduated from the Choate School in Wallingford, Connecticut. His class mates voted him "Most Likely to Succeed."

Kennedy began college at Princeton University in the fall of 1935, but was forced to leave classes shortly afterward because of illnesses. The next year he transferred to Harvard University, following in the footsteps of his father and older brother.

In the summer of 1937 Kennedy traveled to Europe, where his interest in world affairs was stimulated for the first time. Another trip in 1939 deepened this interest. Returning to Harvard in the fall of that year, Kennedy wrote his senior thesis, based on observation he had made while he was in Europe. In the same year, Kennedy graduated from Harvard.

Kennedy tried early in 1941 to join the U.S. Army, but was rejected because of the earlier injury to his back. After months of exercising, he was able to pass the navy physical. He entered the navy in September 1941.

In August 1943, during a patrol mission in enemy waters, Kennedy's boat was rammed by a Japanese Destroyer. The boat was cut in half, and two crew members were killed. Despite an injury to his back, Kennedy led the surviving of his crew to a nearby island. There they remained for several days, hoping to be rescued by another crew, where finally Kennedy swam to another island, where he encountered friendly natives. John F. Kennedy saved the men by putting a message on a coconut shell. He was awarded the Navy and Marine Corps Medal. He also received the purple heart, while in the hospital, he learned that his older brother Joseph, a navy pilot, had been killed on a bombing mission in Europe.

After the war Kennedy was undecided about his future. He was interested in journalism, he worked briefly as a correspondent for the Hearst Newspapers. His brother Joseph had planned a political career, in the family tradition of public service. Eventually, John Kennedy began to think of carrying on in his brother's place.

In 1946, at the age of twenty-nine, John F. Kennedy decided to enter the race for congress as a democratic candidate in Massachusetts Eleventh District. He easily defeated the republican candidate.

Kennedy served three terms in the U.S. House of Representatives. He was determined, however, to run for a statewide office. His chance for a seat in the senate came in 1952 when republican senator Henry Cabot Lodge, Jr., of Massachusetts, came up for reelection. Lodge was a distinguished legislative from a wealthy and respected New England family. The resultants Kennedy victory was remarkable. He defeated his republican opponet by seventy thousand votes, despite the fact that Eisenhower-the republican presidential candidate-carried the state of Massachusetts.

While attending a dinner party in 1951, Kennedy met Jacqueline Lee Bouvier, the daughter of a wealthy society family. They were married in September 1953. The couple had two children-Caroline, born in 1957, and John Jr., born in 1960. A third child, Patrick, born prematurely in 1963, died two years later.

By 1956 John F. Kennedy was becoming an important figure in the senate. At the Democratic Convection in Chicago, he delivered the nominating speech for Adlai Stevenson, who won the party's nomination for the presidency. Kennedy made a vigorous attempt to win the vice-presidential nomination himself, but lost narrowly to Tennessee senator Estes Kefauver. Despite his disappointment, Kennedy worked tirelessly for the Stevenson-Kefauver ticket.

At the democratic national convention in July 1960, Kennedy won his party's nomination on the first ballot. Lyndon B. Johnson, senator from Texas came in second in the balloting and was asked by Kennedy to be his running mate. The republican party chose Richard M. Nixon, U.S. vice-president, and Henry Cabot Lodge Jr., as its candidates.

In 1960 nearly 68,700,000 votes cast in. Kennedy recieved only about 113,000 more votes than Nixon. Kennedy recieved 303 electoral votes, however, compared to only 219 recieved by Nixon.

John F. Kennedy was sworn in as the thirty-fifth president of the United States on January 20, 1961. In a stirring inaugural address he said to his fellow citizens, "ASK NOT WHAT YOUR COUNTRY CAN DO FOR YOU, ASK WHAT YOU CAN DO FOR YOUR COUNTRY."

On Friday November 22, Kennedy and his wife received an enthusiastic welcome to Dallas, Texas. Friendly crowds lined the streets as the presidential motorcade passed through the city on the way to a civic luncheon. Texas governor John Conally and his wife rode with the Kennedy's. Suddenly as the motorcade approached an underpass, shots rang out. The president was hit in the neck, and the back of the head. Governor Conally was also hit but not fatally. The limousine sped to Parkland Hospital, where the president died a few minutes later. Shortly thereafter, aboard the presidential airplane, vice-president Lyndon B. Johnson was sworn in as president.

That evening Kennedy's body was flown back to Washington D.C. His flag-draped coffin was viewed by thousands as it lay in state in the Capitol Rotunda. On Monday, November 25, after a funeral mass at St. Matthew's Cathedral Kennedy was buried at Arlington National Cemetary.

A few days after the shooting, the Dallas police arrested Lee Harvey Ozwald and charged him with the murder of the president.

The shots that killed president Kennedy were believed to have come from the sixth floor of a building overlooking the route of the motorcade. Ozwald was employed in the building and have been seen there at the time of the assassination. Much additional evidence pointed to him.

Oswald, however, was never brought to trial. Two days after his arrest, while being transferred from one jail to another, he was shot by Jack Ruby, a Dallas nightclub owner. A short time later, Oswald died in Parkland Hospital where the dying president had also been taken.

My opinion about John F. Kennedy is that he would still be living now if he didn't get shot. I also thought that John F. Kennedy was the youngest and the best president right now.

by
Donna Boezi

" GOOD LOVE OR IS IT BAD LOVE "

Love finds a way of appearing after two people get to know each other well. They begin to understand one another better than ever before. They enjoy being together as much as possible in many situations and moods. They begin to care deeply for one another and start to cherish and protect the other. There are many forms of love feelings. One of the forms is that a person must face whether he or she is really in love. Some people mistake physical desire for love but love based mainly on sexual attraction does not last long. A normal person may fall in and out of love a couple of times before getting a long lasting relationship. When actual love has been established between two people they start to discover their true feelings for one another. Sometimes all this affection the two have for each other will go overboard and they might start to neglect their family and friends. Many times two people can start to get negative feelings such as jealousy, depression, and even anxiety. Couples in love do have to watch themselves or things might go wrong.

by
Lorie Goodman

"Beaches"

A beach is the shore of
the sea or a lake washed
by the waves.

I love the beach.

There are many different
beaches in Rhode Island.

Carr's Pond, North Kinstown Town Beach,
Goddard Park in Warwick, Arcadia beach pond, Matunick
beach near Charlseton, Newport beach, Scarborough in
Narragansett.

Some of these beaches are polluted if people throw beer bottles, cans,
rocks, etc..

Children love to play in the sand they make sand castles, bury themselves,
have sand fights.

People love to lay on the beach to get a tan. It's relaxing.

by
The Beach Lover

PLANETS AND THE SUN

The planets of the solar system, in order of the distance from the sun, Mercury, Venus, Earth, Mars, Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus, Neptune and Pluto. Both Uranus and Neptune are visible through good field glasses, but Pluto is so distant and so small, that only large telescopes or long exposure photographs can make it visible. The planets move rapidly among the stars because they are very much nearer to us. The stars are also in motion, some of them at tremendous speeds, but they are so far away that their motion does not change their apparent positions in the heavens sufficiently for anyone to perceive that change in a single lifetime. The very nearest star is about 7000 times as far away as the most distant planet. The following are descriptions of the planets.

THE SUN

The Sun is the central point of our solar system. The average assumed temperature of the surface of the sun is 10000F. The temperature within the sun is assumed to be 35,000,000F. Any star that you can see at night is much more hotter and older than the sun. The sun is expected to last about 5,000,000 years. The theory is that when the sun runs out of energy, it will explode. The aftermath of the explosion would become a black hole. The sun's light takes 499.0127 seconds or just over 8 min. to reach the earth.

THE PLANETS

Mercury

Mercury, nearest to the sun, is the second smallest of the nine planets known to be orbiting the sun. Its diameter is 3,100 miles and its average distance from the sun is 36,000,000 miles.

Mercury moves with great speed in its journey about the sun, averaging about 30 miles a second to complete its circuit in 88 of our days. Mercury rotates upon its axis over a period of nearly 59 days, thus exposing all its surface periodically to the sun. It is believed that the surface passing before the sun may have a temperature of about 800 degrees F.

Venus

Venus, slightly smaller than earth, moves about the sun at a average distance of 67,000,000 miles in 225 of our days. Every 19 months, Venus will be nearer to the earth than any other planet of the solar system. The planet is covered with a dense, white, cloudy atmosphere that conceals whatever is below it. This same cloud reflects sunlight efficiently so that when Venus is favorably situated, it is the third brightest object in the sky, exceeded only by the sun and the moon.

Earth

The earth is the fifth largest planet from the sun. Its assumed weight is 6,588,000,000,000,000,000 tons. The length of the equator is 24,901 miles and the total surface area is about 196,938,800 square miles.

THE PLANETS

Mars

Mars is the first planet beyond the earth, away from the sun. Mars takes 687 of our days to make a circuit of the sun, traveling at about 15 miles a second. Mars rotates upon its axis in almost the same period of that the earth does, 24 hours and 37 minutes. The average distance from Mars to the sun is 141,000,000 miles.

Jupiter

Jupiter is the largest of the planets. Its equatorial diameter is 88,000 miles, 11 times the diameter of the earth. Jupiter has an extremely rapid rate of rotation: a Jupiter day is only 10 earth hours long. For a planet this size, this rotational speed is amazing, it moves a point on Jupiter's equator at a speed of 22,000 miles per hour, compared with 1,000 miles an hour for a point on the earth's equator. Jupiter is at an average distance of 480,000,000 miles from the sun and takes 12 of our years to make one complete circuit of the sun.

Saturn

Saturn, last of the planets visible to the unaided eye, is almost twice as far from the sun as Jupiter, almost 900,000,000 miles. It is second in size to Jupiter but its mass is much smaller. Its diameter is about 71,000 miles at the equator. Its rotation speed spins it completely around in a little more than 10 of our hours.

Uranus

Uranus, discovered by Sir William Herschel on March 13, 1781, lies at a distance of 1,800,000,000 miles from the sun, taking 84 of our years to make its circuit around the sun. Uranus has a diameter of about 32,000 miles and spins once in some 15.5 hours. One of the most fascinating features of Uranus is how far it is tipped over. Its north pole lies 98 degrees from being directly up and down to its orbital plane. Thus, its seasons are extreme. If the sun rises at the north pole, it will stay up for 42 years; then will set and the north pole will be in darkness (and winter) for 42 years.

Neptune

Neptune, currently the most distant planet from the sun (until 1999), lies at an average distance of 2,800,000,000 miles. Having a diameter of about 31,000 miles and rotating period of 18.2 hours, it is a virtual twin of Uranus. Neptune circles the sun in 164 of our years in a nearly circular orbit.

Pluto

Although on the average distance stays about 3,600,000,000 miles from the sun, its orbit is so eccentric that it is now approaching its minimum distance of 2,700,000,000 miles, less than the current distance of Neptune. Thus Pluto, until, 1999, is temporarily planet number 8 from the sun. At its mean distance, Pluto takes 247.7 of our years to circumnavigate the sun. Until recently that was all that was known of Pluto.

by
Shawn Thompson

UNICORNS

I am going to describe why. I like unicorns. I like unicorns for their odd shape. I like the word unicorn because it reminds me of a wild and crazy animal in the free area. Unicorn was a strange animal described in ancient greek and roman myths. It was said to look much like a horse, except that on it's forehead it had a straight hore with a spiral twist. It's name means one-hore. The hore was white at the base, black in the middle, and red at the tip. The unicorn has a white body, a red head, and blue eyes. It's hine legs were like an antelope's, and it's tail was like a lions. A artists of the middle ages placed a unicorn beside figures of christ, the virgin mary, and virgin saints, as a sign of purity. The word unicorn appeared in early bibles, but this useage is now translated as wild ox. I have alote of stuffed animals that are unicorns. I have pictures and posters.

by
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